

U. S. Exchange Program Hamper

MANILA (AP)—Several thousand Filipino doctors and nurses are working in U. S. hospitals. Dr. Buenaventura Angtuaco, president of the	Philippine Medical Association, says that last year about 1,000 doctors left medical schools here and 700 went to America.	The doctors and nurses go abroad under the U. S. exchange visitors program. From 1956, when the exchange program was started, to 1963, a total of 3,556 Filipino doctors and 4,607 nurses went to the United States.	Only about 12,000 doctors
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practice. in the Philippines. Millions of Filipinos live in areas where no medical attention is available.	portunities in the United States help the Philippine medical profession, Dr. Angtuaco says. He maintains that the exchange program,	instead of helping poorer countries develop skills, is helping the United States solve its shortage of doctors. The medical association is	establishing training facilities in government hospitals which will help meet the needs of new graduates.
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